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For: Deck Screws Suitable for Use with Composite Lumber

Mail Stop AF

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Sir:

SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114, AMENDMENT AND REPLY FILED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

As a submission under 37 CFR §1.114, and as a response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2004, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 of Commercial Success and Unexpected Results and the following Amendment and Remarks.

Amendments to the claims are shown in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.